III. REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The claims have been extensively amended to positively recite the method steps. Thus this rejection should be withdrawn.

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed recitation of a use, without setting forth any steps involved in the process, i.e., results in a claim which is not a proper process claim under 35 U.S.C. 101.

Similarly, the positive recitation of steps overcomes this rejection, which should now also be withdrawn.

New independent claims 12 and 13 incorporate the delaying limitation of allowable claim 11. Thus they and their respective dependent claims are allowable.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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